

# FUNDING ALERT



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# **Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC)**

Free Service for Nonprofits. The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD) provides nonprofit and government representatives with funding information at its Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC). This computer center provides access to funding databases, as well as the Internet. Staff is available to provide information on additional resources. The GIRC is located at One Judiciary Square, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Suite 1130 North. Call (202) 727-8900 to schedule an appointment.

#### **Special Announcements**

#### **REGISTER NOW** for the 2006 Public-Private

Partnership Conference. The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD), in partnership with Citibank, the Center for Nonprofit Advancement, and the Alliance for Nonprofit Management, will host its 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Public-Private Partnership conference—Moving Forward: Continued Commitment to Building Partnerships. Workshops will focus on writing proposals, managing grants, building partnerships, finding funding, and more. Attendees will be able to access an extensive exhibit hall for additional information. The all-day conference will be held at George Washington University's Marvin Center on October 30, 2006. For further information and

to register, go to: <a href="www.regonline.com/104901">www.regonline.com/104901</a>; or contact OPGD at (202) 727-8900 or the Center for Nonprofit Advancement at (202) 457-0540.

**SPACE STILL AVAILABLE.** Finding Funders: Grantseeking Basics and an Introduction to The Foundation Directory Online. The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD), in partnership with the Foundation Center, will host an introductory class on grantseeking basics. The session will provide an overview of the funding research process for those seeking grants from foundations, corporations, and grantmaking public charities. In addition, there will be a demonstration of how to use the Foundation Center's Web site and online databases (The Foundation Directory Online) to find funders interested in supporting your organization and its programs. Other free resources available at OPGD's Grants Information Resource Center and the Foundation Center's library will also be discussed. The session will take place on September 14, 2006, 9:30 a.m. – noon, at the City-Wide Conference Center, One Judiciary Square, 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 1107 South, Washington, DC. For further information and to register, contact the Foundation Center at (202) 331-1400; or go to: http://foundationcenter.org/washington/gbopgddc.ht ml.

# **Federal Opportunities**

**Small Business Development Center (SBDC).** 

Small Business Administration announces funds to provide programs and services for small businesses in communities suffering economic hardship attributable to the downsizing or closing of businesses or government facilities. Eligible



applicants include nonprofit organizations and forprofit organizations who currently have a SBDC Cooperative Agreement with SBA. The deadline for applications is December 29, 2006. Approximately \$987,228 is available to fund 10 awards up to \$100,000. For further information, contact SBA at (800) 518-4726 or <a href="mailto:support@grants.gov">support@grants.gov</a>; or go to: <a href="http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?oppId=1089">http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?oppId=1089</a> 3&mode=VIEW. GrantID: GD1490

### **District Opportunities**

Electronic Grants Clearinghouse. The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are available for the following notices at: <a href="http://opgd.dc.gov/">http://opgd.dc.gov/</a>, select District Grants Clearinghouse.

Department of Human Services, <u>Infants and Toddlers</u>, September 11, 2006, at 3:30 p.m.

Department of Health, 2006 Ryan White Title I Home Health, September 11, 2006, at 5:00 p.m.

DC Public Schools, District of Columbia Public Charter Schools FY2006 Dissemination Grant Program, September 20, 2006, at 4:30 p.m.

*Department of Human Services*, Early Readers Now, September 28, 2006, at 3:30 p.m.

*Office of the Secretary*, Escheated Estates Fund, September 29, and December 28, 2006.

Department of Human Services, Emergency Rental Assistance Program, October 15, 2006, at 4:00 p.m.

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice/Office of Victim, Victim Assistance Fund, October 17, 2006, at 12:01 p.m.

<u>**REVISED.**</u> Department of Health, <u>FY 2007 Ryan</u> White Title I EMA-Wide Grant, October 17, 2006.

Department of Housing and Community
Development, Community Development Block Grant
(CDBG), Home Investment Partnerships (HOME),
Housing Production Trust Fund (HPTF), and the Low
Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC), November
17, 2006, at 4:00 p.m.

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial District Technical Assistance Program (CD-TAP), applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.

# **Foundation Opportunities**

Human Health and the Environment. The Beldon Fund is seeking applications to engage new constituencies in exposing the connection between toxic chemicals and human health and promoting public policies that prevent or eliminate environmental risks to people's health, particularly through application of the precautionary principle. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is November 1, 2006. For further information, go to: <a href="http://www.beldon.org/">http://www.beldon.org/</a>. GrantID: GD1487

Jewish Experience. The National Foundation for Jewish Culture announces funds for the commissioning of new plays that deal substantively with issues of Jewish history, tradition, values, or contemporary life. Funds may be used for any aspect of new play development, including the commissioning fee, the playwright's residency expenses, or workshop costs. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is October 12, 2006. Awards up to \$5,000 are available. For further information, go to: <a href="http://www2.jewishculture.org/">http://www2.jewishculture.org/</a>. GrantID: GD1488

Teacher Grants. SHOPA Kids In Need Foundation announces funds for K-12 educators to provide innovative learning opportunities for their students. Winning projects are put in the form of lesson plans and are published as a Best Practices Guide. The guide is distributed to other teachers through Kids In Need Resource Centers and from the foundation office. Eligible applicants include individuals. The deadline for applications is September 30, 2006. Approximately 200-300 awards, ranging from \$100-\$500 are available. For further information, go to: http://www.shopa.org/. GrantID: GD1489

#### **Resources & Announcements**

**2006** Accessible America Competition. *The National Organization on Disability* announces their sixth annual awards competition, open to all U.S. cities and towns. Entrants will showcase how their



citizens with disabilities are participating in and contributing to local community life. To enter the competition, a community must submit an official Accessible America application signed by the mayor or chief elected official, describing how the city or town provides opportunities for citizens with disabilities to participate fully in community life. The deadline for applications is October 31, 2006. For further information, go to: <a href="http://www.nod.org/">http://www.nod.org/</a>.

**Learning Program Focuses on Meeting the Needs** of Working Families. Grantmakers for Children, Youth & Families (GCYF) is developing an ongoing learning process to help grantmakers explore the breadth and complexity of issues faced by families living in poverty, and the supports and strategies necessary to help them gain economic independence. The Working Families Learning Circle will explore three key issue areas: employment, education, and work; vulnerable populations; and cross-cutting issues. For each issue area, GCYF is planning learning events that will share in-depth information about the scope and nature of the problem and that will identify effective grantmaking strategies that can be leveraged to address the problems. For further information and to download an overview of the program, go to:

http://www.gcyf.org/programs/programs\_show.htm?doc\_id=360530.

#### **Previous Announcements**

Activists of Color Award. The Alston/Bannerman Fellowship Program is committed to advancing progressive social change by helping to sustain longtime activists of color. The program honors those who have devoted their lives to helping their communities organize for racial, social, economic, and environmental justice, and provides resources for organizers to take sabbaticals for reflection and renewal. The program seeks applicants whose work attacks root causes of injustice by organizing those affected to take collective action; challenges the systems that perpetrate injustice and effects institutional change; builds their community's capacity for self-determination and develops grassroots leadership; acknowledges the cultural values of the community; creates accountable participatory structures in which community members have decision-making power; and

contributes to building a movement for social change by making connections between issues, developing alliances with other constituencies, and collaborating with other organizations. The deadline for applications is December 1, 2006. The award is approximately \$15,000. For further information, go to: <a href="http://www.alstonbannerman.org/">http://www.alstonbannerman.org/</a>.

Celebrating Solutions Awards Program. The Mary Byron Foundation is accepting nominations from organizations that demonstrate an innovative approach to confronting and solving domestic violence. Eligible applicants include nonprofits and government-based programs that have been operating for a minimum of three years and specifically address the issue of domestic violence. The deadline date is September 22, 2006. Approximately 4 awards up to \$10,000 are available. For further information, go to: <a href="http://www.marybyronfoundation.org/">http://www.marybyronfoundation.org/</a>.

Children Serving Their Communities. The Angel Soft Angels in Action Program recognizes children ages 8-18 who have executed exemplary acts of service to benefit their community, a charity, or cause. The deadline date for nominations is October 1, 2006. Nominators who are 18 years or older may submit an essay of 200 words or less about the nominee's service accomplishments. The most outstanding service project will be named Program of the Year with the winner receiving \$15,000. Two Grand Prizes of \$10,000 and five First Prizes of \$1,000 will also be awarded. Along with cash awards, the Program of the Year winner and both Grand Prize winners will receive a trip for two to Walt Disney World. For further information, go to: http://www.angelsoft.com/angelsinaction/awardsprog ram2006.asp.

Education. National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) announces funds to support teachers by paying a portion of their certification fee. Subsidy funds are awarded on a first come, first served basis. Eligible applicants must meet NBPTS eligibility guidelines and submit a District of Columbia Application for Assessment Fee Support to the program administrator. The deadline for applications is December 31, 2006. Awards up to \$1,000 are available. For further information, go to: <a href="http://www.nbpts.org/resources/state-local-information/District%20of%20Columbia">http://www.nbpts.org/resources/state-local-information/District%20of%20Columbia</a>.



Humanitarian Prize. The Conrad N. Hilton Foundation invites nominations for the 2007 Conrad N. Hilton Humanitarian Prize for organizations that have made extraordinary contributions toward alleviating human suffering anywhere in the world. The prize is not a grant based on future goals, but an award for recent and historic accomplishments. Nominated organizations may be nonprofit, charitable, and non-governmental organizations with an operating budget larger than \$500,000. The deadline for nominations is November 6, 2006. A prize of \$1.5 million is available. For further information, go to: http://www.hiltonfoundation.org/main.asp?id=43&si

Nonprofit Training Series. The Enhanced Business Information Center (e-BIC), in partnership with Southeastern University's (SEU) Center for Entrepreneurship, will offer the following series of nonprofit workshops:

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<u>How to Start a Nonprofit</u>: covers the essential tools needed to start a nonprofit organization;

<u>Nonprofit Staff and Board Development</u>: helps participants understand the crucial role that boards play in a nonprofit organization; staff development will also be discussed;

Nonprofit Strategic Planning: covers the differences between strategic plans and business plans for nonprofit organizations; participants will also learn how to conduct SWOT and competitive analyses of their nonprofits; and

<u>Fundraising for Nonprofits</u>: will introduce fundraising planning and creating a standard grant format.

The series will run once a month starting in September. For dates, times, locations, and other information, contact Katina Bolden at (202) 727-2241 or <a href="mailto:katina.bolden@dc.gov">katina.bolden@dc.gov</a>; or go to: <a href="http://app.calendar.rrc.dc.gov/monthView.aspx?cdlCalendars=11">http://app.calendar.rrc.dc.gov/monthView.aspx?cdlCalendars=11</a>.

One Day's Pay. Serve DC encourages citizens to give back to their communities through service and good deeds during the week of September 11, 2006. One Day's Pay is a nationwide, congressionally-endorsed effort to establish a long-term, meaningful and positive way to honor the victims, family

members, survivors, rescue and recovery workers, and volunteers of the September 11, 2001 attacks. For further information, contact Serve DC at (202) 727-7925; or go to:

http://www.serve.dc.gov/cncs/cwp/view,a,1197,q,525 262.asp.

#### Presidential Award for Reading and Technology.

International Reading Association is accepting applications for the annual Presidential Award designed to honor educators in grades K-12 or equivalent who are making an outstanding and innovative contribution to the use of technology in reading education. Entrants must be educators who work directly with students ages 5-18 for all or part of the working day. Entries incorporating any brand of computers, operating systems, software applications, and other technologies such as TV or video are acceptable. The deadline for applications is November 15, 2006. For further information, go to: <a href="http://www.reading.org">http://www.reading.org</a>; or <a href="http://www.plato.com">http://www.plato.com</a>.

**Technology Innovation Award.** NPower Greater DC Region, a local nonprofit organization that provides technology services to other nonprofits, is accepting applications for its second annual NPower Technology Innovation Award given by Accenture. The award recognizes nonprofits in the metropolitan DC region whose innovative use of technology has helped them improve key aspects of their operations and more effectively fulfill their missions. The award will honor a winner and two other finalists that best demonstrate how technology advancements have had a positive impact on: 1) their overall mission; 2) the efficiency of day-to-day operations: 3) the effectiveness in serving clients and key stakeholders; and 4) their fundraising, advocacy or volunteer efforts. The deadline for applications is September 15, 2006. Winners will receive free technology consulting and software products valued up to \$35,000. For further information, contact NPower Greater DC Region at (202) 234-9670; or go to: www.npowergdcr.org/tia.htm.

**Terner Prize in Affordable Housing.** Center for Community Innovation seeks to recognize successful and innovative affordable housing projects and their leadership teams. The prize is being inaugurated to commemorate Don Terner and awarded to the affordable housing project and leadership team that best exemplify the spirit of Terner's work and



commitment to affordable housing. The deadline for applications is September 18, 2006. The First Prize Award is \$25,000. In addition, five finalist teams will be awarded leadership stipends of \$5,000. For further information, go to: <a href="http://www-iurd.ced.berkeley.edu/cci/">http://www-iurd.ced.berkeley.edu/cci/</a>.

**Upcoming Museum Grants for African American** History and Culture. Institute of Museum and Library Services will announce funds to build professional capacity in the African American museum community. The program will provide opportunities for the staff of African American museums to gain knowledge and abilities in the areas of management, operations, programming, collections care and other museum skills identified as a high priority by applicants. It will provide an opportunity for African American museums to design projects that will enhance institutional capacity and sustainability by utilizing professional training, technical assistance, internships, outside expertise and other tools. See full announcement for eligibility requirements. The deadline for applications will be January 15, 2007. Please note that the full FY2007 application package for this opportunity will be posted approximately three months prior to the application deadline. Until that time, applications and guidelines from the previous year are available for reference, but the current fiscal year application must be used when applying. Awards ranging from \$5,000-\$150,000 will be available. For further information, contact Christopher J. Reich at (202) 653-4685 or creich@imls.gov; or go to: http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIE W&oppId=10539.

#### Youth Volunteer Recognition. Prudential

Financial and the National Association of Secondary School Principals, recognize middle and high school students for volunteer community service. Local Honorees are selected at participating schools and organizations from each state including DC. State Honorees receive awards of \$1,000 and all-expensespaid trips DC. Ten National Honorees receive additional awards of \$5,000. The deadline for applications is October 31, 2006. For further information, go to:

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